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FM AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

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AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, KU

SUBJ: FATAH DENIAL OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR SYRIAN AIRLINE OFFICE
BOMBING

1. IN A SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL STEP, LOCAL FATAH REPRESENTATIVE SALIM ZA'NUN MADE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO DENY TO FOREIGN MINISTER SABAH AL-AHMAD PERSONALLY THAT FATAH HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH JULY 4 BOMBING OF SYRIAN AIRLINES OFFICE HERE. TODAY'S PRESS REPORTS THAT ZA'NUN AND FATAH CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBER KHALID AL-HASSAN HAD CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER JULY 5 AND, INTER ALIA, REFUTED SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER KHADDAM'S CHARGE THAT FATAH HAD ENGINEERED THE BOMBING. ZA'NUN IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT "WE ARE NOT OF THAT TYPE...".

2. COMMENT: FATAH REPRESENTATIVES HAVE BEEN EXCEEDINGLY ACTIVE OVER COURSE OF PAST WEEK, MEETING WITH VIRTUALLY EVERYBODY OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IMPORTANCE IN THE GOK. DECLARED PURPOSE FOR ALL THIS IS TO

KEEP THE KUWAITI AUTHORITIES ABREAST OF FAST-BREAKING LEBANESE
EVENTS, WITH SPECIAL APPEALS ADDRESSED TO KUWAIT TO REMAIN
FIRMLY BEHIND THE PALESTINIAN MOVEMENT. APPARENT SPECIAL EFFORT
TO DENY COMPLICITY IN SYRIAN AIRLINES OFFICE INCIDENT CAN BE
SEEN AS PART OF THE FATAH CAMPAIGN TO KEEP KUWAITIS FROM GOING
SOUR ON THEM.
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